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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Friday, 15 October 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

10.30 a.m. consultations of the whole
(closed) Consultation Room

Afghanistan (S/1999/1054)*

Other matters

* With a view to a formal meeting.

MILITARY STAFF COMMITTEE

11 a.m.-
1 p.m. 1415th meeting
(closed) Conference Room 9

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-
1 p.m. 8th meeting

Conference
Room 4

General debate (*continued*):

Australia
Singapore

Belarus
India
Viet Nam
Kenya
Kazakhstan
Senegal
Cameroon
Uganda
Republic of Korea

(continued overleaf)

3 p.m.-
6 p.m. 9th meeting Conference Room 4

General debate (*continued*):

Zambia
Mali
Democratic People's Republic of Korea
Yemen
Ukraine
Jamaica (on behalf of CARICOM)
Qatar
Myanmar (on behalf of ASEAN)
Guatemala
Madagascar

[Documents of the First Committee (A/C.1/54/INF.1)]

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-
1 p.m. 13th meeting Conference Room 2

3 p.m.-
6 p.m. 14th meeting Conference Room 2

Operational activities for development [101]

(a) Operational activities for development of the United Nations system

(b) Economic and technical cooperation among developing countries

(A/54/39, A/54/225, A/54/273, A/54/425, A/54/175, A/54/292-S/1999/917, A/53/788 and Add.1)

Introduction, general discussion and conclusion

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-
1 p.m. 13th meeting Conference Room 1

1. Crime prevention and criminal justice [107] (A/54/3*, A/54/69-E/1999/8 and Add.1, A/54/289, A/54/340, A/C.3/54/2, A/C.3/54/L.3, L.4, L.5 and L.6)

* To be issued.

2. International drug control [108] (A/54/3*, A/54/186, A/54/293-E/1999/119, A/54/314-S/1999/942 and A/C.3/54/L.7)

Dialogue with the Executive Director of the Office for Drug Control and Crime Prevention

Introduction and general discussion

3 p.m.-
6 p.m. 14th meeting Conference Room 1

1. Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family [106]

Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.3/54/L.9, L.10 and L.12

2. Crime prevention and criminal justice [107] (A/54/3*, A/54/69-E/1999/8 and Add.1, A/54/289, A/54/340, A/C.3/54/2, A/C.3/54/L.3, L.4, L.5 and L.6)

3. International drug control [108] (A/54/3*, A/54/186, A/54/293-E/1999/119, A/54/314-S/1999/942 and A/C.3/54/L.7)

Continuation of general discussion

* To be issued.

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-
1 p.m. informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 163 (Review of the implementation of General Assembly resolution 48/218 B)

3 p.m. 7th meeting Conference Room 3

1. Organization of work (A/C.5/54/1/Add.1)

2. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors [117]

(a) United Nations peacekeeping operations:

(ii) Peacekeeping missions

Action on draft resolution A/C.5/54/L.9

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4. Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission and the United Nations Observer Mission in Angola [129]

Findings of the Office of Internal Oversight on the procurement process in UNAVEM

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(a) Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations

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SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-
1 p.m. 7th meeting Trusteeship
Council Chamber

Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization [159]

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

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6 p.m. 1st meeting Conference
Room 7

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.-
1 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 10

3 p.m.-
6 p.m. closed meeting Conference
Room 10

Subjects

1. Draft report
2. Executive session on revised estimates resulting from resolutions and decisions of the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 1999

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Briefing

The Vice-Chairmen of the eighth session of the Commission on Sustainable Development, Mr. Zvetolyub Basmajiev (Bulgaria) and Mr. Chaoi Seok-young (Republic of Korea), will hold a briefing on the outcome of the second meeting of the Bureau of the Commission (Bogota, Colombia, 4 October 1999) *today*, 15 October 1999, from 1.45 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

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World Food Day 1999

An observance of the World Food Day 1999, under the theme "Youth Against Hunger", will take place on Tuesday, 19 October 1999, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2 (immediately following the adjournment of the morning meeting of the Second Committee). Statements will be made by the President of the General Assembly, H.E. Mr. Theo-Ben Gurirab, the Deputy Secretary-General, Ms. Louise Fréchette, the President of the Economic and Social Council, H.E. Mr. Francesco Paolo Fulci, and the Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, Mr. Jacques Diouf. Professor M. S. Swaminathan, Chairman of the M.S. Swaminathan Research Foundation, will be the keynote speaker. All members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of United Nations agencies and programmes, representatives of non-governmental organizations and accredited correspondents are invited to attend.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Friday, 15 October 1999

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE (draft resolution on oceans and seas)

10 a.m.-
1 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 6

AFRICAN GROUP (on Fifth Committee matters)

Afternoon*
6 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 5

AFRICAN GROUP OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE

1.15 p.m.-
2.45 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 9

GROUP OF 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

1.45 p.m.-
2.45 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 7

GROUP OF 77 OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE (draft resolutions on the outcome of the fourth World Conference on Women and on racial discrimination)

3 p.m.-
6 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room C

EASTERN EUROPEAN GROUP OF THE WHOLE

3.30 p.m.-
6 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room D

* Following the adjournment of the 7th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

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There will be a meeting of liked-minded countries, convened by the delegation of Myanmar to the First Committee, to consider a draft resolution on nuclear disarmament, *today*, 15 October 1999, at 9.30 a.m. in Conference Room E.

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The Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on Gender Issues and Advancement of Women and the Chairperson of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women will convene a meeting with representatives of the twenty-six Member States which have not yet ratified the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women. The meeting will take place *today*, 15 October, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room D.

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There will be a meeting of interested delegations, organized by the delegation of India, *today*, 15 October 1999, at 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room E, to discuss First Committee draft resolutions on agenda items 72 (The role of science and technology in the context of international security and disarmament), 77 (d) (Convention on the Prohibition of Use of Nuclear Weapons) and 76 (g) (Reducing nuclear danger).

Meeting of co-sponsors

There will be a meeting of potential co-sponsors of the draft resolution on agenda item 76 (j) (Consolidation of peace through practical disarmament measures), organized by the delegation of Germany, *today*, 15 October 1999, at 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Briefing

There will be a briefing by the Chairman of the Joint United Nations Environment Programme and United Nations Center for Human Settlements (UNEP/UNCHS) (Habitat) Task Force on the Balkans, Mr. Pekka Haavisto, *today*, 15 October 1999, at 1.30 p.m. in Conference Room B, on the final report of the Task Force. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

**United Nations Convention
on the Law of the Sea**

Informal consultations on draft resolutions related to agenda item 40 (Oceans and the law of the sea) will be held *today*, 15 October 1999, in Conference Room 6, as follows: from 3 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. on sub-item (c) (Results of the review by the Commission on Sustainable Development of the sectoral theme of "oceans and seas"); and from 4.30 p.m. to 6 p.m. on sub-item (a) (Law of the Sea).

Delegations interested in obtaining reporting material on agenda item 40 (Oceans and the law of the sea) are invited to visit the Web site of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea at the following address: <http://www.un.org/Depts/los>

Announcement

As from Friday, 1 October 1999, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226). In the event that room S-226 is occupied at that time, the briefing will take place in the Security Council Quiet Room.

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Monday, 18 October 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

3 p.m. 10th meeting Conference Room 4

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10.30 a.m. closed meeting Conference Room 10

10 a.m. 10th meeting Conference Room 4

3 p.m. closed meeting Conference Room 10

THIRD COMMITTEE

3 p.m. 15th meeting Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m. informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

3 p.m. 8th meeting Conference Room 3

SECOND COMMITTEE

Briefing

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m. 8th meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

3 p.m. 9th meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

The World Health Organization (WHO), in collaboration with the Division for Social Policy and Development of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), will hold a briefing on the theme "Health in Poverty Eradication: Implications for Copenhagen Plus Five", on Wednesday, 20 October 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6. The briefing will be given by Dr. John Martin of the Department of Health in Sustainable Development, WHO, and Mr. John Langmore, Director of the Division for Social Policy and Development, DESA. All interested delegations, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Percy Metsing Mangoela (Lesotho), on Tuesday, 19 October 1999, at 10 a.m. sharp in Conference Room C (to be confirmed).

The Chairperson of the Commission on the Status of Women acting as the preparatory committee for the special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century" will hold informal consultations on a draft text of a political declaration for the special session of the General Assembly on Wednesday, 20 October 1999, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 1. An advance copy of the draft text is available in the Division for the Advancement of Women (room DC2-1216).

United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa

CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

List of speakers

The third session of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention will take place from 15 to 26 November 1999 in Recife, Brazil. The special segment on the implementation of the Convention will be held from 22 to 24 November 1999. Statements at this segment will be open to Parties, observers, international intergovernmental organizations, multilateral agencies and institutions accredited to the Conference, United Nations programmes and specialized agencies with representation at the appropriate level. It is suggested that the average time for each statement should not exceed 6 minutes.

The list of speakers for the special segment on 22 and 23 November is now open in New York. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers for this segment are requested to contact the office of the Secretary of the Conference of the Parties (Ms. June Chesney; tel.: (212) 963-5742; fax: (212) 963-5935).

A list of speakers for other statements by Parties and observers in the Plenary during the first week of the session will open in Recife on Monday, 15 November.

The provisional agenda and the organization of work contained in document ICCD/COP(3)/1 can be retrieved from the Optical Disk System or from the Convention Web site at the following address: <http://www.unccd.de>

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There will be a meeting of the Working Group on Disarmament of the Non-Aligned Movement on Monday, 18 October 1999, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 8.

The Southern African Development Community (SADC) will hold a memorial service for the first President of the United Republic of Tanzania, H.E. Mr. Julius K. Nyerere, on Monday, 18 October 1999, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Informal consultations

Informal consultations will be held on a Third Committee draft proposal on the follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and full implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action on Monday, 18 October, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room C.

Meetings of co-sponsors

There will be a meeting of potential co-sponsors of the First Committee draft resolution on small arms, organized by the delegation of Japan, on Monday, 18 October 1999, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room B.

There will be a meeting of potential co-sponsors of the draft resolution on agenda item 64 (b) (Objective information on military matters, including transparency of military expenditures), organized by the delegations of Germany and Romania, on Wednesday, 20 October 1999, at 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Special meeting

In accordance with the request of the Economic and Social Council in its resolution 1999/54, the Under-Secretary-General of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs and the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for the Interna-

tional Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (INSTRAW) will meet with donors and interested States on the revitalization of the Institute and its immediate and long-term funding. The meeting will be held on Monday, 18 October 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 1. A note on a new method of work and structure of the Institute can be obtained from the Secretariat in room DC2-1230.

Seminar

A seminar on "The Development and Reform of Pension Systems", organized by the Division for Social Policy and Development of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, in cooperation with the International Labour Office, will be held on Monday, 18 October 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room B. The seminar, held within the framework of preparations for the special session of the General Assembly on the implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and Further Initiatives, will be conducted by Mr. Colin Gillion, Director of the Department of Social Security of ILO. Members of delegations and Secretariat staff are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Steven Miller (tel.: (212) 963-7535).

Symposium

A symposium on "Nuclear Doctrines", organized by the Department for Disarmament Affairs, will be held on Monday, 18 October 1999, from 1 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

Workshop

The UNITAR/UTA/WTO Workshop on International Trade Negotiations will take place from 20 to 22 October 1999 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in New York. The nomination form was already sent out to all the permanent missions, with the information note. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Thursday, 14 October 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

34th plenary meeting

Tribute to the memory of the first President of the United Republic of Tanzania, H.E. Mr. Julius Nyerere, and the staff members of the United Nations killed in Burundi and Kosovo

The President made a statement.

The Deputy Secretary General made a statement.

The General Assembly observed one minute of silence in tribute to the memory of the first President of the United Republic of Tanzania, H.E. Mr. Julius Nyerere, and of the staff members of the United Nations killed in Burundi and Kosovo.

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (Article 19 of the Charter) [125]

The General Assembly took note that the Gambia had made the necessary payment to reduce its arrears below the amount specified in Article 19 of the Charter.

Election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council [15 (a)]

On the first round of balloting, having obtained the required two-thirds majority, Bangladesh, Jamaica, Mali and Tunisia were elected members of the Security Council for a two-year term beginning on 1 January 2000.

Since one seat from among the Eastern European States remained to be filled, the General Assembly proceeded, in accordance with rule 94 of procedure, to a second round of balloting (first restricted ballot).

The results of the second round of balloting (first restricted ballot) were as follows:

	Votes
Ukraine	98
Slovakia	72

As none of these countries had obtained the required majority, the Assembly proceeded, in accordance with rule 94 of the rules of procedure, to a third round of balloting (second restricted ballot).

The results of the third round of balloting (second restricted ballot) were as follows:

	Votes
Ukraine	113
Slovakia	57

As none of these countries had obtained the required majority, the Assembly proceeded, in accordance with rule 94 of the rules of procedure, to a fourth round of balloting (third restricted ballot).

The results of the fourth round of balloting (third restricted ballot) as follows:

	Votes
Ukraine	158
Slovakia	3

On the fourth round of balloting (third restricted ballot), having obtained the required two-thirds majority, Ukraine was elected a member of the Security Council for a two-year term beginning on 1 January 2000.

The following five States were thus elected members of the Security Council for a two year term beginning on 1 January 2000: Bangladesh, Jamaica, Mali, Tunisia and Ukraine.

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 15.

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE 6th meeting

General debate

The Committee continued its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of Ghana, Sierra Leone, the Holy See, Togo, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Venezuela, San Marino, Mongolia and Fiji.

7th meeting

General debate

The Committee continued its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of Turkey, Cuba, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Bolivia, Morocco and Peru.

THIRD COMMITTEE

12th meeting

Advancement of women [109]*Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women* [110]

The Committee continued its consideration of the items and heard statements by the representatives of Kazakhstan, Viet Nam, Ethiopia, Jamaica, Malaysia, Nicaragua, Qatar, Benin, Maldives, the United Arab Emirates, Armenia, Côte d'Ivoire, Afghanistan, Kuwait, Haiti, Madagascar, Cameroon, Eritrea, El Salvador, Jordan, Burundi and the Philippines.

The observer for Palestine also made a statement.

The Chairperson of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) also made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of 110, and, as agreed, item 109 would remain open in order to discuss, solely, the report of the Secretary-General regarding the revitalization of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women, once it has been issued.

Social development, including questions relating to the world situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family [106]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/54/L.2

It was recalled that, by its resolution 1999/18, the Economic and Social Council had recommended to the General Assembly the adoption of draft resolution A/C.3/54/L.2.

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Secretary of the Committee read out the oral amendment that had been made to the draft resolution.

The representative of Senegal further orally amended the draft resolution.

Statements were made by the representatives of South Africa, Portugal and India.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution as orally amended without a vote, after which statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Turkey and South Africa.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

6th meeting

Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization [159]

Statements were made by the representatives of India, Algeria, China, Croatia, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Ghana, Canada,

Hungary, Cuba, Zambia, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Belarus and Jordan.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

International Natural Rubber Agreement, 1995. Geneva, 17 February 1995

Termination of the Agreement with effect from 13 October 1999

Tampere Convention on the Provision of Telecommunication Resources for Disaster Mitigation and Relief Operations. Tampere, 18 June 1998

*Ratification: Sri Lanka (13 October 1999)**

* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

International Day for the Eradication of Poverty

On the occasion of the International Day of the Eradication of Poverty 1999 and to mark the tenth anniversary of the Convention on the Rights of the Child, the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, together with the International Movement ATD Fourth World, will hold a commemoration today, 15 October 1999, from 12.45 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. in the United Nations garden. There will be a performance by children of the Tabori Movement and traditional Bolivian music will be performed by Sumaj Chasquis. All members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of United Nations agencies and programmes, representatives of non-governmental organizations and accredited correspondents are invited to attend.

Photography exhibit

The inauguration of a photography exhibit entitled "Images of the Twentieth Century", from the Florentine photography archives and the Museum "Fratelli Alinari", will take place on Monday, 18 October 1999, at 6 p.m. at the Visitors' Entrance of the Secretariat Building. The exhibit, organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy, in cooperation with the Department of Public Information, will remain until Friday, 5 November. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

United Nations Day

On the occasion of the celebration of United Nations Day, a concert will take place on Friday, 22 October 1999, at 7 p.m. in the General Assembly Hall. The concert will be a tribute to "Duke" Ellington on the 100th anniversary of his birth and a celebration of his service as Music Ambassador to the world. The Secretary-General of the United Nations will host the event.

The Concert will feature the Duke Ellington Orchestra with George Duke as Musical Director, and the Billy Taylor Trio. The evening will also feature such famous performers as Nancy Wilson, Eartha Kitt, Gregory Hines, Bobby Short, Lena Horne, Jerry Butler, the Esther Marrow Gospel Singers, Dianne Reeves, Grady Tate, Kenny Burrell, Take 6, The Dells, Marcus Printup, Ernie Andrews, Jon Hendricks, and others.

Tickets for the staff of the United Nations Secretariat will be available through the United Nations Staff Committee.

COMMUNICATIONS TO THE EDITOR

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